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the America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership plan.

Dated: July 8, 1998.

Dan Glickman,

Secretary of Agriculture. [FR Doc. 98-18912 Filed 7-14-98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410-07-U

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Approval of Silos and Smokestacks Partnership Management Plan

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996, the Secretary of Agriculture hereby gives notice of approval of the Partnership Management Plan submitted for establishment of the America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bart Chilton (202–720–4581), Senior Policy Director, Rural Development, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 206-W, Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-333) authorized the establishment of the America's Agricultural Heritage Partnership (Partnership) in Iowa upon publication of notice in the **Federal Register** that a Partnership Management Plan has been submitted to and approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. Silos and Smokestacks is a non-profit regional agricultural heritage tourism organization based in Iowa that is creating a network of sites, activities, and events to tell the story of American agriculture, past and present. Silos and Smokestacks has developed and submitted a management plan to the Department of Agriculture (USDA) for the Partnership. Approval of the management plan by the Secretary does not obligate USDA to expend resources. Consistent with USDA's rural development mission and support for agricultural heritage tourism as a viable economic development tool, the Secretary of Agriculture has approved

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent to Seek Approval to **Collect Information**

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub.L. No. 104-13) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR Part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the intent of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) to request approval for new information collection, the Food and Nutrition Information Center (FNIC) Customer Satisfaction Survey of Food and Nutrition Service Audiences. This information will assist FNIC staff in providing and delivering better services according to the needs of FNIC's targeted audiences.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by September 21, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS: Contact Shirley King Evans, Ed.M., R.D., Food and Nutrition Information Center, NAL/ARS/USDA, Room 304, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705-2351, 301) 504-7374.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title: Food and Nutrition Information Center (FNIC) Customer Satisfaction Survey for Food and Nutrition Service Audiences.

Type of Request: Approval to collect information on customer satisfaction of the Food and Nutrition Service targeted audiences.

Abstract: The Agricultural Research Service, National Agricultural Library, Public Services Division, Food and Nutrition Information Center is interested in conducting a customer satisfaction survey of Food and Nutrition Service audiences; they are personnel working at the state or local

levels of the government, including personnel working on the following: State Child Nutrition programs; Child and Adult Care Food Program; Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations; Special Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children; and the Nutrition Education and Training Program. Changes in delivery and provision of services have been implemented at the National Agricultural Library so it is important to assess needs, particularly since FNIC has special funding to serve those needs. Data will be analyzed to evaluate how well FNIC currently is serving Food and Nutrition Service audiences and what services need to be modified to meet their needs more effectively. FNIC would like to conduct the survey from September through October 1998.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per

Respondents: Health professionals and administrators in government agencies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 600.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 300 hours.

Copies of this information collection and related intructions can be obtained without charge from Shirley King Evans, Ed.M., R.D., Food and Nutrition Information Center, NAL/ARS/USDA, Room 304, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705-2351, (301) 504-7374.

Comments

Comments are invited on (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, such as through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to: Shirley King Evans, Ed.M.,